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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - US-JAPAN RELATIONS

1. FOLLOWING AIDE MEMOIRE PRESENTED TO JAPANESE EMBASSY
OFFICER JANUARY 5:

QUOTE. IN REFERENCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN'S REQUEST
FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE UNITED STATES-JAPAN BILATERAL
AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT IT WILL BE
DIFFICULT FOR THE UNITED STATES TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERA-
TION TO THE CHANGES THAT JAPAN WISHES TO MAKE IN THE CIVIL
AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT AS LONG AS THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN
WITHHOLDS APPROVAL OF AIR SERVICE PROVIDED FOR IN THE CUR-
RENT AGREEMENT, SUCH AS THAT BETWEEN SAIPAN AND JAPAN. IN
ORDER TO OVERCOME THIS DIFFICULTY, THE UNITED STATES PRO-
POSED THAT CONSULTATIONS FIRST BE HELD ON THE SAIPAN
QUESTION, THE RESOLUTION OF WHICH WOULD THEN PERMIT
RESUMPTION OF BROADER TALKS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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THEREFORE, THE UNITED STATES IS DISAPPOINTED THAT THE
GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN HAS CONTINUED TO HOLD TO THE VIEW THAT
THE QUESTION OF SAIPAN-JAPAN AIR SERVICE BE DISCUSSED IN
CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER ISSUES.

IN AN EFFORT TO COMPROMISE THESE DIFFERING VIEWS, THE
UNITED STATES IS WILLING TO ACCEDE TO THE JAPANESE REQUEST

THAT THE ISSUES BE DEALT WITH DURING THE SAME CONSULTATION. IN SCHEDULING SUCH CONSULTATIONS, THERE SHOULD BE PRIOR AGREEMENT THAT THE SAIPAN ISSUE WOULD PRECEDE THE OTHER ISSUES ON THE AGENDA. WE TRUST THAT THE SAIPAN ISSUE CAN BE RESOLVED IN SUCH CONSULTATIONS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE CURRENT AGREEMENT IN ORDER THAT CONSIDERATION MAY THEN BE GIVEN TO THE CHANGES THAT JAPAN DESIRES TO MAKE IN THE AGREEMENT. THE UNITED STATES WOULD ALSO WISH IN THE CONSULTATIONS TO PURSUE THE QUESTION OF CHARTER AIR SERVICES.

BECAUSE OF PRIOR COMMITMENTS, THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION IS UNABLE TO MEET ON JANUARY 31 AND PROPOSES TALKS TO RESUME IN WASHINGTON DURING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 7-11. UNQUOTE.

2. EMBASSY OFFICER SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD RESPOND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
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